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REPORT

TOPIC Schoenwalde Airfield

EVALUATION

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. At 1:20 p.m. on 22 September 1950 a west-bound, low-wing monoplane with radial engine flew over Schoenwalde (N 53/7. 66) at an altitude between 300 and 400 meters. It rained occasionally and the cloud base was low. The plane was of a type which has not been seen before. Description: leading edge of wings swept back, trailing edge straight, tips rounded, landing gear probably retractable, rod on top of fuselage about the middle, noise of engine similar to that of a U-2 plane, slow. * Trucks passed through the entrance gate to the field. 50X1-HUM

2. About 40 single-engine ground attack aircraft started flying at the field at 8:15 a.m. on 23 September 1950. The take-off took about 20 minutes. The aircraft assembled in formations of 8 to 10 planes and headed north. 50X1-HUM

 There was no flying at the field up to 5:30 p.m. when the formation landed. The landing took 40 minutes. About 15 single-engine ground attack aircraft were parked in front of the hangars. ** The weather was favorable although it rained some.

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* Comment. Presumably a UT-2. This type has not previously been seen in the Soviet Zone of Germany.

** Comment. The number of aircraft agrees with previous observations. One ground attack regiment is still believed to be stationed in Schoenwalde. The report does not indicate whether the air reconnaissance regiment which was previously believed to also be in Schoenwalde is still there. 50X1-HUM

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